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AMEMBASSY LA PAZ (LA PAZ 1382 - IMMEDIATE)

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Venezuelan Ambassador to Bolivia Resigns April 11 -

Returning to Caracas April 12; Bolivian President Quiroga Makes Statements Emphasizing Importance of

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None

1. (U) Classified by Econ/Pol Chief David Wolfe. Reason 1.5 B/D.

2. (C) /

He later made a public statement

to reporters announcing his resignation,

End Note.

- 3. (U) While the GOB does not appear to have issued a formal statement on events in Venezuela, Bolivian President Jorge Quiroga, speaking April 11 from the Rio Group Summit in San Jose, expressed his "preoccupation" with the situation in Venezuela and told reporters that it had to be resolved in a democratic manner. Emphasizing the importance of the rule of law, Quiroga said democracy "cannot be put at risk."
- 4. (U) Post contacts in the GOB have indicated that the Rio Group is likely to issue a statement later today

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concerning events in Venezuela.

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